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The following is a summary of information on Soviet and East German military activities received prior to 14 August:

A. General:

Soviet units carried out intensive training activities including exercises by mixed combat groups of up to regimental level and numerous firing practices. More than 100 T-54 tanks, some of which were assigned to mechanized divisions, were shipped into East Germany between 27 July and 6 August.

B. Soviet Dispositions:

1. First Guards Mechanized Army:

After the completion of a bridge construction exercise over the Mulde River, south of Grimma, the engineer regiment left by rail toward Dresden on 27 July. Two tank shipments of the 8th Guards Mechanized Division were dispatched from Ostrand to Wurzen on 24 July.

2. Second Guards Mechanized Army:

- a. 1st Mechanized Division: On 5 August, local farmers were ordered to speed up the harvest in the area west of the Doeberitz training grounds, presumably in order to prepare the area for exercises of the 1st Mechanized Division.
- b. 9th Guards Tank Division: The AAA Regiment left Neustrelitz on 2 August. On 6 August the engineer battalion returned to Neustrelitz by road.
- c. 31st AAA Division: Two shipments with elements of the division were transferred from Velten to Wustrow on 6 and 7 August.
- d. 2nd Light Artillery Brigade: The brigade was still quartered in Doeberitz prior to 10 August.

3. Third Guards Mechanized Army:

- a. 9th Mechanized Division: On 2 August, only guard details were stationed at Camps Lieberose (3302) and Schoenhoehe (3305). On the same day, troops in Luebben were observed making preparations for their departure.

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- b. 35th Engineer Regiment: Two shipments with troops and 16 tracked landing vehicles returned to Spremberg on 6 and 7 August.

4. Fourth Guards Mechanized Army:

- a. 7th Guards Mechanized Division: Tank units and engineers carried out exercises on the Spree River, upstream from Beeskow, prior to 31 July. Four shipments with tank units returned to Frankfurt/Oder between 28 July and 9 August.
- b. 10th Guards Tank Division: Three shipments with tank, artillery and AAA units returned from Templin to Kramnitz on 4 and 5 August. Tank firing details were transferred in two shipments to Letzling Heath on 10 August.
- c. 25th Tank Division: On 20 July, an artillery unit left Installation No. 4742 for a two-week stay at the Kroechlendorf training grounds.

5. Eighth Guards Army:

- a. 39th Guards Rifle Division: The 112th Guards Rifle Regiment was still at its post in Plauen on 1 August. Elements of the 117th Guards Rifle Regiment from Meiningen carried out exercises in the area between Meiningen and Ohrdruf.
- b. 57th Guards Rifle Division: The 174th Guards Rifle Regiment from Weissenfels was stationed in Kindel on 6 August.
- c. 308th Artillery Brigade: Six shipments with 36 x 122 mm guns and 12 x 100 mm AT guns left Gera between 26 and 29 July.
- d. 94th Guards RL Brigade: Four new rocket launchers with approximately 100 mm projectors were observed in Leipzig-Schoenau in late July.

6. Third Shock Army:

- a. 207th Rifle Division: Camp Jaevenitz in Letzling Heath was heavily occupied on 8 August.
- b. 19th Guards Mechanized Division: Several columns returned from Letzling Heath to Magdeburg on 8 August.
- c. 4th Guards Artillery Brigade: Between 25 and 28 July, five shipments returned from Letzling Heath to Schwerin. Tank elements of the 94th Guards Rifle Division were also carried in these shipments.
- d. 304th Artillery Brigade: Elements of the brigade were transferred in three shipments from Burg to Letzling Heath.

7. IV Artillery Corps:

- a. Fourth Guards AT Brigade: One shipment was dispatched each day from 29 July to 3 August from Binz to Wustrow.
- b. 2nd Guards AAA Division: Elements of the division were transferred in two shipments from Wuensdorf to Hoppegarten on 10 August.

C. Shipments from the USSR:

- 27 July: 18 T-54 tanks to Freinwalde, presumably for the 6th Guards Mechanized Division.
- 29 July: 17 T-54 tanks to Oschatz for the 9th Tank Division.
- 1 August: 8 prime movers to Satzkorn.
- 3 August: 19 T-54 tanks to Koenigsbrueck, presumably for the 11th Guards Tank Division.
- 6 August: 17 T-54 tanks to Rangsdorf. Nine of these were sent to Wuensdorf. The tanks were probably allotted to the 6th Guards and 9th Mechanized Divisions.
- 6 August: 19 T-54 tanks to Riesa for the 9th Tank Division.
- 6 August: 16 T-54 tanks to Satzkorn, presumably for the 10th Guards Tank Division.
- 8 August: 15 tractors on T-34 suspensions to Wildpark for the 34th Artillery Division.

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D. KVP Activities:

The bulk of Mortar Regiment Premnitz has been at the Kliestz training grounds since 15 July. Elements of AAA Regiment Leipzig and AAA Battalion Halle were dispatched to the Rostock area on 31 July and 3 August respectively. On 30 July and 5 August, elements of Howitzer Artillery Regiment Leipzig returned from the training grounds north of Torgau. The mechanized regiments in Karpin are scheduled to hold regimental exercises in the second half of August. Newly recruited officer candidates have arrived at the officer candidates' schools.

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